NATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Member Profile Updates

On April 15, Women In Bio member profiles will upgrade to a fresh new look with many more intuitive ways to connect and stay informed about all of the great things we collectively do to support diversity and inclusion in the life sciences.

- Once the new community is live, you will receive an email on how to access and navigate through your new member profile.
- Your login information will remain the same, but you will now have the option to login through your LinkedIn and Facebook credentials.
- Be sure to update your profile so that you can take full advantage of this exciting social networking update that makes it easier to connect and engage with other members.
- Be sure to search for the SocialLink app in your app store and download it on your mobile device.

To give you an idea of what you can expect, check out this short informational video.

Spring Into STEM with Young Women In Bio

Young Women In Bio presents the Spring Into STEM™ Festival, a series of STEM-focused events across the country and in Montreal for young girls to explore the wide range of educational and career opportunities open to them in STEM. From the first day of spring in March through the beginning of May, participating chapters of YWIB reach out to middle school and high schools girls by hosting a wide range of events and activities, including tours of companies, panel discussions and participation at major STEM Festival. Click here for more details.

Women In Bio Annual Plenary Event at 2019 BIO International Convention (June 3, 2019)

Adjacent to the Biotechnology Innovation Organization (BIO) International Convention, please join us for our signature annual WIB Plenary Event on Monday, June 3, 2019, at the beautiful Philadelphia Marriott Downtown from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Our inspirational 2019 Plenary Event “Together we build. Together we lead. Together we inspire.” speakers will highlight their experiences as well as how it takes a community to build, lead and inspire change to advance biotech and create an impact. The event will be moderated by Simone Fishburn, Vice President, Executive Editor BioCentury Inc. and former President of Women In Bio.

As with all Women In Bio events, our 2019 Plenary Event encompasses an inviting and fun environment for networking as it brings together people from all corners of the life sciences industry, and spawns new career and business opportunities.

If interested in becoming a sponsor for this event, please send an email to info@womeninbio.org.

Speakers:

Dr. Aoife Brennan
CEO, Synlogic, Inc.

Bethany Edwards

Dr. Sheila Gujrathi
CEO, Gossamer Bio

Moderator: Simone Fishburn
Executive Women In Bio (EWIB) Boardroom Ready News

EWIB is proud to announce board appointments for Boardroom Ready alumnas Cynthia Smith and Jane Wasman. Congratulations to both as they join the boards of Spero Therapeutics and Rigel Pharmaceuticals, respectively. Applications for the 2019 Boardroom Ready program have closed; selected participants will be announced in July.

Meet Women In Bio at BIO 2019 – Registration Discounts End April 12!

Join Women In Bio at the world’s largest global biotechnology partnering event, the BIO International Convention (#BIO2019)! This is the one event where you can access 16,000+ biotechnology professionals from 67 countries, network and set up meetings via BIO One-on-One Partnering™, and attend 150+ education sessions. Discover the next generation of cutting-edge products, therapies, and cures all week long.

Hurry! Early bird registration discounts end on April 12! Register today and don’t miss this exciting opportunity to network, and join Women In Bio for two special networking meet-ups during the BIO International Convention.

WIB Members May Access Recordings of Previous Webinars

Did you miss a webinar you wanted to attend? Don’t worry! Members can access recordings of previous webinars located in the video library here.

RESOURCES

WIB Video Library

This Member-Only benefit allows you to view previously recorded WIB events from any chapter. Simply log into your WIB account to take advantage of this great resource and access the videos in our WIB video library!

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WIB-Atlanta

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WIB-Atlanta: The Atlanta Science Festival Exploration Expo (YWIB), March 3, 2019 Event Recap

On March 23rd, YWIB Atlanta was thrilled to return to the Atlanta Science Festival’s Exploration Expo! 22 volunteers (both YWIB Atlanta chapter members and undergraduate students from Agnes Scott College) facilitated the activities at the YWIB booth for an estimated 400 visitors. The culminating event of the two-week festival, the Exploration Expo was a free event that drew over 25,000 people to Piedmont Park in downtown Atlanta for a fun-filled day. The Expo featured over 100 interactive activities and performances celebrating the excitement, diversity, and influence of science, technology, engineering and mathematics in Atlanta.
WIB-Atlanta: Panel Discussion: A Journey to Leadership, March 27, 2019 Event Recap

On Wednesday, March 27th, in memory of Women's History Month, WIB-Atlanta hosted a panel discussion event titled “A Journey to Leadership” at Arbor Pharmaceuticals. Robert Demont, director of Bioscience-Healthcare Ecosystem Expansion at Metro Atlanta Chamber, moderated the panel of four successful entrepreneurs: Sonya Martin, director of Corporate Strategy at The Medical Affairs Company; Amy Holcomb, CEO at SkyMedicus Inc; Beate Lloyd PhD RD LD, president/CEO at Health Strategies & Food Solutions LLC; and Amy Baxter MD FAAP FACEP, founder/CEO at Pain Care Labs. The panelists candidly shared their journeys as a path of discovery, passion, entrepreneurship, challenges they overcame. In the end, they offered advice of being confident, knowing self-worth, and encouraged women to support each other at work, raise each other’s awareness, and promote each other’s career.

WIB-Atlanta: YWIB Generating Excellence in Maths and Science - Agnes Scott College STEM Day, March 29, 2019, Event Recap

On March 29, 2019, students from Alcovy High School came to Agnes Scott College and spent the day attending classes, touring the campus, and participating in different STEM activities with ASC faculty and students. The 20 high school students in attendance were members of the “Gifted Girls” group at Alcovy. The Agnes Scott students who organized the day are representatives of the Generating Excellence in Math and Science (GEMS) living and learning community. This annual event was established by an Agnes Scott College alum to give students from her alma mater the chance to experience STEM resources not available to them otherwise.
**WIB-Capital Region: Social Media and Personal Interactions**

This Baltimore Meetup is free for members and students, and members may bring up to two guests at the member price (free). If you're new to WIB and interested in checking it out before becoming a member, please reach out via CapitalRegion@womeninbio.org.

**Program:**

Six panelists (Cassie Calvert, Emma Jekowsky, Sarah Hanford, Lisa Cleary, and Nikki Bracy) share their expertise on social media and personal interactions, with a facilitator (Chris Frew).

For more information, or to register, click here.

**WIB-Capital Region: Succession Planning, the Key to Organizational Effectiveness**

Plan for your own success with a succession planning strategy. Many people, whether they own their own business or work in a large corporation, don't spend enough time looking at what's next. Opportunities to sell your company, or move to a new role internally, are often leveraged on a succession plan. You can’t move up or move on if your change leaves a hole somewhere else in the organization. Learn what factors to consider for future planning in this strategic interactive session led by Carolyn Thompson, Managing Principal of Merito Group and Co-Founder and Board Chair of BioPharma Global, and Jennifer Wappaus, Director, Family Wealth Advisor at PagnatoKarp.

**Speakers:**

Carolyn Thompson  
Jennifer Wappaus
WIB-Capital Region: Center for Innovation and Technology hosting SBIR training in April and May

CIT is hosting SBIR trainings in the DC area this April and May: An NIH/NSF SBIR session April 24 in Falls Church, VA and April 25 in Charlottesville, VA, and a DOD SBIR Session May 14 in Norfolk, VA and May 15 in Fairfax, VA -- Medical topics are available at NIH, NSF & DOD programs. All sessions are low cost. Visit www.cit.org/events for info and registration.

WIB-Capital Region Facebook Group

Stay up-to-date with all the events at WIB-Capital Region. Please join our new Capital Region Facebook group. The link is https://m.facebook.com/groups/1904793249842010/?ref=bookmarks

WIB-Chicago: Optimizing Your Drug Pipeline – Development through Commercialization

BioPharma companies operate in a world of challenges including rapidly changing competitive landscape, increasingly complex requirements from patients, payors, providers and new and sometimes conflicting regulations. Demands for innovative therapies at lower costs fuel research, development and commercial activities. Join long-time biopharma executives as they share strategies and tactics to mitigate risks and increase the likelihood of therapeutic and market success for new drugs. Learn more about the impact of healthcare economics, navigating FDA regulations, conducting clinical trials, and transforming to a commercial mindset for product launch.

Speaker Bios
Sharon Ayd, Ph.D., MBA
Donna Kopera, MBA

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WIB-Chicago: MAPS Program! Network to Grow, Grow Your Network

Enhance your professional success through the power of the WIB network! WIB-Chicago members are invited to join our MAPS Group Mentoring Program.

Mentoring is the number # 1 way to catapult your career. This structured six-month program is specifically designed to respect the busy schedules of all participants. Mentors are senior leaders in the Biotech Industry. Mentees are anyone who desires to grow their career. Program includes:

- Six monthly mentoring circle meetings

Learn more and register for this event
Six Webinars (Networking, Presentation Skills, Leveraging LinkedIn, Resume Writing, Interviewing Skills, Getting More Visibility)

Networking event for all mentees and mentors

Kick-off and Wrap-Up meetings with fellow mentoring circles

For more information, or to register, click here.

WIB-Chicago: YWIB-Chicago Tour of Abbott Molecular Diagnostics

Middle school girls are invited to join the Chicago Chapter of Young Women In Bio to tour Abbott Molecular Diagnostics (AMD). The facility tour includes an overview of Abbott and its Molecular Diagnostics business, a tour of the AMD site, introduction to scientists, and lunch.

During and after the tour, attendees will have an opportunity to ask Abbott scientists and members of Women In Bio questions, and network with other girls interested in careers in science.

For more information, or to register, click here.

WIB-Chicago: Engage in Chicago’s vibrant life science community – call for volunteers!

Do you...

...want to get more engaged with women and your local life science community?

...want to build your professional network and make friends along the way?

...want to help build and shape Women In Bio-Chicago?

...want to add some rewarding volunteer activity to your CV?

Then come and join us! We are looking for volunteers to help out in various committees. Just to name a few, Special Events and Program are looking for help with organizing events, Membership needs some help at the events itself, Communication wants people that engage in outreach and our MAPS committee is eager to kick-off the second round of our mentorship program and needs a helping hand with that.

If anything of that sounds interesting to you, you have a general interest in volunteering for WIB or even if you have other ideas about how you would like to contribute, reach out to us! Email Rike (our communication chair) for further information.

We can do it alone, but together we can do it better!

WIB-Boston: Mentorship, Advisors, Peers, and Sponsorship (MAPS) Program Kickoff

WIB-Boston chapter is excited to launch the second year of the MAPS Program designed to foster opportunities for personal and professional growth through the sharing of knowledge and experiences and leveraging the diverse skills and perspectives. The kickoff event will be very interactive and have breakouts where mentors and mentees get to meet their groups.

It’s a great pleasure to announce Brenda Loan Baker as our keynote speaker. During the session, Brenda will talk about accelerating individual success and career satisfaction and answer questions that many of us have. How to focus on a personal definition of success? How to choose ambitious but achievable goals? How to break big goals down into real plans? What resources and tools will be helpful on this journey?

For more information, click here.

WIB-Boston Careers in Life Science: How to Find and Land your Dream Job

Careers in Life Science: How to Find and Land your Dream Job will feature female Human Resource leaders who have successfully helped build biopharma companies with great talent. Through an engaging, moderated discussion regarding today’s talent acquisition landscape, they will reveal important considerations for new and potential job seekers.

The panelists will offer insights about the hiring process in their own respective organizations, as well as strategies for candidates considering new opportunities, including how to prepare for interviews, the importance of LinkedIn, salary negotiations and more.
WIB-Montreal: YWIB Spring Into STEM Festival / Fête du Printemps en STEM (April 26, 2019)

YWIB Montreal in collaboration with Charles River Laboratories (CRL) will be hosting two onsite visits this spring, allowing grade 9 students to participate in scientific activities the morning of April 26th and May 9th. CRL will be setting up presentations and hands on demonstrations within the extensive facility for the students, giving the opportunity for the students to meet some very successful scientists who will be sharing their experiences and successes in their careers.

For more information, click here.
WIB-Greater Montreal: Planting the seeds of science / Plantez les graines de la science, April 30, 2019, Event Recap

YWIB and the Rosalind and Morris Goodman Cancer Research Center at McGill University celebrated Spring into STEM and Women’s History Month with their 4th Annual Planting the Seeds of Science Workshop for Grade 9 students. Dynamic GCRC graduate student volunteers introduced grade 9 students to biology through a series of lab demonstrations and presentations including possible careers paths young students can take to achieve careers in STEM fields.
WIB-Metro New York

WIB-Metro New York: Membership Event

Invite a colleague or two and join the Women In Bio of Metro New York chapter for a casual networking and new member cocktail event from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at CORE Club, 66 East 55th, NY, NY on Wednesday, April 17.

Click here for more information or to register.

WIB-New York: YWIB RockEDU Science Outreach for High School Students

This event takes place in outreach laboratories at Rockefeller University and focuses on The Mechanics and Ethics of DNA Analysis. Students will learn about gel electrophoresis using the Huntington gene model during a hands-on session in the laboratory. They will also participate in a
discussion on the implications and ethics of genetic testing.
For more information, click here.

**WIB-New York: An Afternoon at Alexandria Center LaunchLabs, April 4, 2019, Event Recap**

At the second annual "Afternoon at LaunchLabs" event, students engaged with female entrepreneurs at the state-of-the-art Alexandria Center for Life Sciences. The 25 student participants were divided into small groups to meet entrepreneurs and learn about their backgrounds and how they got to where they are today. The girls asked interesting questions before they were taken on a short tour of the laboratory by the LaunchLabs team, and the afternoon concluded with a science-themed reception!

![Image of students and entrepreneurs at LaunchLabs](image)

Click here for more details and additional photos

**WIB-Philadelphia Metro**

**WIB-Philadelphia: Young Women In Bio Philadelphia - Spring into STEM at Drexel University**

Young Women In Bio and Drexel University invite middle and high school girls to visit Drexel University for interactive talks on STEM topics. The girls will have an opportunity to meet current undergraduate and graduate students and faculty while engaging in small group settings.

Click here for more information or to register

**WIB-Philadelphia Metro Progressive Dinner**

Join Women In Bio – Philadelphia Metro for a progressive dinner down Passyunk Avenue! One of the top Restaurant Guides in Philly will lead us on this fascinating walking tour exploring the incredibly popular neighborhood in South Philly that's booming with cutting-edge shops and ambitious restaurants. Thirteen of the top 50 restaurants on Philadelphia Magazine and Foobooz's latest edition of The 50 Best Restaurants in Philadelphia are on East Passyunk Ave, and we'll be visiting three spots on the Avenue.

Click here for more information or to register

**WIB-Philadelphia for Member Spotlight - Leigh Filippini, Co-Chair Programming Committee**
Why did you join WIB?

I arrived at my first WIB event last spring and was instantly inspired by the idea of a collective community supporting individual aspirations and goals. Women helping women!

For the entire Member Spotlight post, click here.

WIB-Pittsburgh: “Self-promotion and building an effective personal-brand.”

Proper self-promotion is key for personal success, effective networking, and career progression. Join Women In Bio for an interactive workshop to learn how to shape an incisive self-brand and best utilize powerful communication tools.

Melanie Robb, Managing Director at ibr Search and expert in the field of talent recruitment, will guide us through a brief personality test, share the secrets for a confident interaction with multiple personality profiles, teach us how to best position our strengths and improve weaknesses, and discuss how to identify and accomplish personal and professional goals.

The event is in collaboration with the University of Pittsburgh’s Office of Academic Career Development. Both Women In Bio members and Pitt doctoral and postdoctoral trainees are welcome to join us for inspiring discussions, networking and light refreshments.

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Learn more and register for this event

WIB-Pittsburgh: Two scientists walk into a bar...March 8, 2019, Event Recap

On International Women's Day - Friday, March 8, 2019, WIB members participated in the program “Two Scientists Walk Into A Bar” from the Carnegie Science Center of Pittsburgh. This program is hosted in bars across the city every few months, where scientists go to a bar to have a casual conversation with people who may wonder what the life of a “real scientist” is like or just want to have a chat with scientists and “shoot the breeze over a couple of drinks”!
WIB-RTP: YWIB “Lean in, Women in Science” Female Scientist Panel & Networking Event

“Lean in, Women in Science” is an annual event designed to connect accomplished women in science with high school girls who are interested in STEM. Girls of all ages are welcome at the event but the main target is high school girls. This event is part of the North Carolina Science Festival. The highlight of the event will be a panel discussion featuring accomplished female scientists talking about their careers, challenges, and successes. The panel discussion will start at 5:00 p.m.

Following the panel discussion, Young Women In Bio-RTP will be partaking in a networking session with attendees to introduce the students to networking skills and explore possible STEM career paths. The girls will also have the chance to learn about majoring in STEM in college. The networking portion of the event is from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and is open to the public and girls of all ages. For more details, click here.
WIB-RTP: YWIB STEM career exploration with Chapel Hill High School’s FemSTEM Club

Young Women In Bio-RTP is partnering with Chapel Hill High School’s FemSTEM club to introduce female students to STEM related careers in a monthly series. Each month invited speakers will share their specific experiences in different STEM fields based on the students’ interests. Speakers will present hands on activities to introduce their specific fields, introduce what they do in a typical day, and field questions about their careers. Sessions will focus on clinical research, computer science, environmental science, and genetics. A special session will also be held to answer any questions about undergraduate studies and medical school. For more details, click here.

WIB-RTP: YWIB Spring Into Stem 2019

WIB-RTP Young Women In Bio, in coordination with Graduate Women in Science RTP, is excited to be hosting its annual Spring Into STEM event on April 27 for middle school girls. RTP-YWIB held the first ever Spring Into STEM event in 2016, which lead the way for YWIB to create a national festival around Spring Into STEM. Throughout the morning, participants will have the experience to extract their own DNA, learn about design and engineering principles during a hands-on biomedical engineering activity, be introduced to colloid science while making their own slime, and be amazed by the diversity present throughout entomology. Girls will be able to take home their own lab notebook.

The Spring Into Stem Event will be held at North Carolina Central University’s Biomanufacturing Research Institute and Technology Enterprise (BRITE) on April 27, 2019, from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM.

Learn more and register for this event

WIB-RTP: YWIB Visits the Hub Farm

The Durham Public Schools Hub Farm is a 30 acre farm, forest, and aquatic educational center in Durham. Join us to learn about careers in sustainable agriculture. Scientists from Pairwise, a plant genetics start up, and other local agricultural professionals, will be joining us! Activities may include a creek exploration, visiting our beehives, meeting our animals, a taste test in our garden, and more!

Learn more and register for this event

WIB-RTP: Equitable Organizations: How to Be One, Why You Want to Work for One

It is often easy for companies to wind up looking, acting, and thinking homogeneously. After all, a couple of strong employees may look to others like them to carry on the legacy of success! However, striving for a more equitable approach to hiring, development, retention, and promotions brings an organization new ideas and accelerated, sustainable growth. We will take a look at how to become an equitable organization through the hiring and management of employees with diverse ideas and backgrounds. We will also discuss ways of approaching the topic of becoming an equitable organization so that attendees can be equipped to have open and honest discussions with colleagues as well as bring up the topic to leadership and others.

Learn more and register for this event

WIB-RTP: Recap of the Conflict Resolution in the Workplace Workshop (March 27, 2019) Event Recap

Conflict in the workplace will be something all employees face in their careers. On March 27th, WIB-RTP hosted an event in The Classroom at The Frontier on how to manage conflict effectively. Members and non-members networked over light refreshments before being seated to a guided discussion by Briana Marini an HR business partner at UNC School of Medicine. The discussion focused on tips and tools each person can use during a professional disagreement.

Learn more here.
WIB-San Francisco: Taking Your Innovation From Idea To Startup

We will get a first-hand look into Illumina’s Accelerator to see how companies are nurtured from initial ideas to creating organizations that drive value. In the age of accelerating innovation in the genomic space, this panel of genomics startup founders will reflect on their path, the key lessons they learned along the way and tips & tricks they wished they knew when they were just starting out. They will discuss topics ranging from how the idea came together for starting a company, finding co-founders with complementary skills, hiring first employees, getting funding, recruiting advisors, all the way to creating a go to market strategy.

Speaker Bios:

- Emma Taylor, Naked Biome
- Ridhi Tariyal, NextGen
- Christine Du, Algen Biotechnologies
- Alice Crisci, Medanswers
- Stephanie Tagliatela, Encoded Genomics
- Host: Amanda Cashin, Head of Illumina Accelerator

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Learn more and register for this event

WIB-San Francisco: YWIB “How to Get into the Brain” - The Science Behind Antibody Engineering and Design

San Francisco Bay Area YWIB is excited to host an event with Genentech for students interested in learning how scientists have cleverly engineered antibodies to hijack existing systems to enter through the blood-brain-barrier and be able to act in the brain. They will learn about the different considerations and clever strategies behind this research, put into perspective through hands-on activities. The event will include a tour of the purification pilot plant and Genentech campus followed by a panel discussion on paths in science featuring professional women at all levels in their careers.

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WIB-San Francisco: Networking at Nurix, March 28, 2019, Event Recap

WIB-San Francisco hosted a networking event at Nurix in celebration of women’s history month and was attended by over 40 women from across the bay area. Nurix works on the development of cancer therapeutics. Our hosts at Nurix offered some valuable tips on networking and engaged the audience in sharing their networking experiences. The event was a great success with participants walking away with new connections and friends!

Click here for additional images

WIB-San Francisco: (YWIB) June Jordan High School visits Amgen, March 20, 2019 Event Recap

On March 20th 2019, fifteen 10th grade students from June Jordan High School visited Amgen to learn about careers in biotechnology. June Jordan is a small underserved public high school in San Francisco with a high percentage of minority students. Young Women In Bio (SF) has been making an effort to reach more underserved students and this event was a perfect opportunity to connect the local community to the booming biotech industry in their backyard. The students had not visited any companies before, and the amazing volunteers with Amgen’s WE2 organized a fun and informative event to introduce the students to STEM careers.

The event kicked off with an introduction to biotechnology and Amgen. The presenting volunteer also talked about her own journey from school to industry, and her transition from science to business development, showcasing the possibilities in the STEM field. Click here for more details

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Seattle is full of opportunity. How do you stay on top of what is happening in our city?

Join Women In Bio-Seattle at Cambia Grove for an afternoon of getting to know your biotechnology community. Network with your peers, share what you are working on, and get to know some of the amazing companies that call Seattle their home.

Featuring both emerging and established life science companies, this event will highlight their latest successes, and provide attendees with open networking opportunities with industry professionals, recruiters, hiring managers, and career service experts.

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Learn more and register for this event

It's Open Enrollment time for the WIB-Seattle Mentors, Advisors, Peers and Sponsorship (MAPS) program!

Are you interested in meeting and mentoring/being mentored by wonderful women in our community? To sign up for the first time or to re-enroll (all current MAPS members must re-enroll to keep your spot in a MAPS group for the coming year), please fill out the 2019-2020 Enrollment Questionnaire by Tuesday, April 30, 2019. Your group assignment will be emailed to you by the end of May, along with some materials to get you started.

Current MAPS members: Please note that re-enrollment is required, even if your availability is the same and you are planning to stay in your current group.

New this year, we are offering interest-based groups in South Lake Union and Bellevue/Redmond in addition to our location-based groups. If you've been waiting for an interest-based group, now is a great time to join!

Want additional leadership opportunities and training? Consider becoming a MAPS group leader.

Open enrollment occurs only once per year, so don't miss your chance to join a MAPS group! The open enrollment period ends on April 30, 2019. After that, we will only add people to existing groups as space becomes available. Please note that enrollment in MAPS is a WIB member-only benefit, so your membership must be up to date to enroll.


Young Women In Bio - Seattle hosted "What's Inside Our Blood? A Hands-On Hematopoiesis Lab" at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Institute (FHCRC) on March 13th, 2019. Ten students from high schools around the Seattle area attended to learn about the components of our blood and how those components are changed in a cancerous state. Dr. Beverly Torok-Storb (FHCRC, Clinical Research Division) first introduced students to the concept of stem cells, and their immense potential for regeneration therapy. She then walked students through the typical cell types present in blood, and how leukemia affects those cells. While discussing internships for high school students at the FHCRC, Dr. Torok-Storb emphasized the importance of diversity in the biomedical workforce: utilizing everyone's unique perspective means that together we will be able to generate creative research advances even faster.
You are smart. You work hard. Your resume is packed with accomplishments. You are ready to take your business or career to the next level. Strong executive presence can get you there. Executive presence is also an important factor in fundraising and investor presentations. A study by the Center for Talent Innovation suggests that executive presence accounts for 26 percent of what it takes to get ahead in today's global marketplace.

Join us for an evening with Maya Hu-Chan, globally recognized leadership consultant, executive coach, speaker, and author. Maya Hu-Chan will share practical strategies for developing executive presence to fight unconscious bias, make your voice heard, and get what you want by showing up at your best. Maya’s ability to significantly advance the leadership effectiveness of executives has led to important and measurable results, not only for the organizations involved, but also for the individual.

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WIB-Southern California: Women for Social Impact

This is your opportunity to be mesmerized by Peggy Callahan, an anti-slavery activist, and filmmaker, as she shares her stories of fighting modern-day slavery and decades reporting and producing films on poverty, the foster care system, the death penalty, farm-workers, racism, homelessness, and slavery, to name just a few. Peggy is a powerful, award-winning storyteller that has helped change laws and lives. She has worked on 5 continents and 15 countries through two international anti-slavery organizations that she co-founded; Voices4Freedom and Free the Slaves. Her impact has been astonishing, including over 15,000 people freed from slavery, 29 transitional schools in India that help entire villages free themselves from slavery, more than 200 traffickers and slaveholders arrested, 256 million people reached to raise public awareness, and has created the world's largest video library on modern-day slavery, shared it for free with the world's best storytellers so they could tell the story of slavery. Aside from her ongoing anti-slavery work, Peggy is currently producing a film inspired by the international bestseller, The Book of Joy with Nobel Peace Prize winners, Archbishop Desmond Tutu and His Holiness the Dalai Lama and launching a podcast with The 1440 Multiversity.

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WIB-Southern California: Fireside Chat with Woman Founder & Townhall Meeting, March 28, 2019 Event Recap

For Women’s History Month, WIB-Southern California featured a fireside chat with Stephanie Hsieh, CEO of Meditope Biosciences, on March 28, 2019. The event was also a Town Hall meeting where representatives of all WIB committees spoke about what they do for WIB, how rewarding volunteering is, and how what they learn while volunteering can be useful for their careers.

The event was sponsored by the law firm Latham & Watkins LLP and was held at their San Diego location. We started off with a networking reception with appetizers and delicious wine and beer, after which representatives from Latham & Watkins and our chapter sponsor, American Laboratory Trading (ALT), spoke about their companies.
The Women In Bio – Texas chapter provides easy reach to the home of some of the most prominent academic research centers in the country, including the University of Texas at Austin, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, The Texas Heart Institute, the Texas Biomedical Research Institute, the Texas A&M System, and the Baylor, Scott & White System of institutions. The many internationally recognized hospitals and medical research centers in Texas attract a highly skilled network of trained hospital staffers, nurses, and doctors, as well as clinical trial organizations.

Our membership base includes academic and clinical researchers, sales professionals, venture capitalists, legal advisors, intellectual property advisors, technology transfer specialists, policy experts, clinical trials professionals, doctors, medical/science communicators, educators, students, and many other experts who support the health, pharmaceutical, and science industries. These and other qualities have nurtured the creation of a burgeoning biotech industry in the state, Texas having recently being dubbed the “Third Coast” of Biotechnology. Learn more about our chapter.
OTHER INTERESTS

What is the Women's Series:

The Women's Series are joint events of the Belgian, French, Netherlands and German American Chambers of Commerce as well as the British American Business Council. Started in January 2014, the Women's Series holds quarterly business events for professional women of the Atlanta international community. The goal of the Women's Series is to bring educational and stimulating content to our attendees, while also facilitating professional opportunities and networking among peers. We are proud to offer topics to help connect and develop the women of our communities.

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